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La Reunion Fruit Farms and Nursery

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INTRODUCTION

Back of every tree grown and sold by La Reunion Fruit Farms are years of experience in growing and testing of quality nursery stock. Our La Reunion Fruit Farms, located at Dallas and Arlington, Texas, are among the best known of the commercial orchards of the Southwest. At present we have in bearing over 16,000 fruit trees in our own orchards. As well as the time-tried standard kinds we also offer the new and improved varieties of fruits that by actual test in our own experimental orchards we have found to be suitable to our Texas conditions.

INVITATION — TESTING AND EXPERIMENTING

We invite you to visit our test orchard at Arlington, Texas, just North of Arlington Downs Race Track, where we have of bearing age some 300 varieties of peaches, plums, pears, pecans, apples, figs, apricots, persimmons, grapes. Every tree in the test block is permanently labeled as to variety; and adjoining this test orchard is our larger commercial orchard of 250 acres of fruit trees and nursery stock. Don't be misled by high pressure salesmen or beautifully engraved catalogues that offer you varieties that though possibly fine for some sections of the country may prove worthless in your locality, because of the difference in climate, soil, or other conditions over which you have no control. Come discuss your orchard problems with us. Possibly we can help each other.

PRICES AND TERMS

Our prices are as low as quality nursery stock can be sold for. All transportation charges are prepaid to Texas points, and there is nothing more to pay on delivery. It takes several years to bring an orchard into full bearing and "so-called bargain trees" may prove expensive in the long run. Terms are cash with order. Checks, money orders, drafts accepted.

FREE SERVICE

At your request we will properly prune any stock before shipment. All stock sent by parcel post will be at least lightly pruned. Proper pruning aids materially in establishing root systems of trees and helps train it to carry a full load of fruit evenly distributed.

TIME TO PLANT

We ship from mid-November to April 1st, but December, January, and February are preferable months for transplanting. Trees are carefully packed to avoid drying out while in transit.

SELECTION OF VARIETIES

If you prefer, leave the selection of varieties to us. Our wide experience enables us to be particularly helpful along this line. We will ship only varieties that will give you the best results in your localities. If we are out of a variety or size ordered, to prevent delay we will ship another size or variety equally good; labeling true to size and variety. Please instruct us if no substitutes are permissible.

ORCHARD SERVICE

In Dallas and Tarrant counties or at not too far distant points from Dallas we offer a special service whereby we furnish stock, deliver same, and personally supervise its planting. This service includes a complete job, including selecting orchard site, helping choose best varieties, laying off orchard, digging holes, planting trees, wrapping and pruning properly, and furnishing charts of orchard with valuable data of variety, description, location, ripening date, etc., of each tree. Call, or write us about this service. It is surprisingly reasonable.

GUARANTEE

We use great care to ship all stock true to label and in good condition to grow. Should any stock prove otherwise, we will, on proper proof, replace free of charge, or refund

Quality Fruit Trees Offer Large Profits

purchase price of any stock that does not prove true to label. Because of many factors over which we have no control we cannot be responsible for further claims or damage. Claims must be made within 10 days of receipt of stock by purchaser. Every shipment is not only carefully examined by us, but also bears an inspection tag of the Department of Agriculture certifying that stock in the shipment is free of all dangerously injurious insect pests or plant disease.

PEACHES

Ten dollars invested in our quality fruits can be easily worth \$150.00 in three years. For quick and safe profits plant fruit trees. No home should be without fresh fruit. Choose your varieties from our list of the very best for the southwest as proven by us in our two hundred acres of commercial orchard.

Listed below are best varieties in approximate order of ripening with dates given as an average ripening time for Dallas.

MAY PEACHES

Mayflower. The earliest of all. Sure bearer. A highly colored red cling. Medium to large size and good quality. Fine for home or market. Ripens May 15.

Unedda. A fine early cling of unusual flavor. Fruit large, cream colored, and laid over with beautiful pink blush. Trees large spreading type, large, showy blooms and very hardy, and of long life. Ripens about May 30.

JUNE PEACHES

The New Red Haven. The famous new Michigan fruit belt peach. The first one half bushel sold at open market at Benton Harbor brought the unbelievable price of \$30.00. Called by some famous growers the world's rarest peach. It ripens early, colors bright red before ripening. Trees bear young and fruit is free stone and self-pollenizing. Flesh is fine, golden, sweet and juicy. Red Haven matures about a month before Elberta.

Golden Jubilee. A comparatively new variety of great merit. No finer flavored peach grown. Flesh golden yellow, of buttery flavor. Though not quite as firm as Elberta it will ship to local market. It is very frost resistant. It is fine for canning, table, home, or market use. Ripens about June 15.

Beauty. One of the most profitable of all market varieties. Sure bearer of large, firm, highly colored, semi-free-stone yellow peaches. Ripens several weeks ahead of Elberta. Brings highest market prices. Ripens June 25.

Mamie Ross. This old time favorite originated in Dallas County, Texas. Often called the sweetest peach grown. Though too soft for distant hauling, Mamie Ross is ideal for home use. Very frost resistant. A juicy white peach with pink cheeks. Bears when others fail. Ripens late June.

JULY PEACHES

Hale Haven. Another recent introduction by the Michigan Experiment Station. It is a very firm, yellow highly colored freestone, of fine size and quality. For canning the quality is of the very best. An unusually heavy producer. Very good for distant markets because of firmness. Ripens July 10.

Elberta. We have a selected strain of this most widely known and planted variety. Too well known to need description. Ripens July 20.

J. H. Hale. One of the finest of the large yellow free-stones. Much larger and more round in shape than Elberta. Starts ripening with or just after Elberta. Fine for either home or market. Ripens late July.

To Grow Fruit Is to Have It

AUGUST PEACHES

Indian Cling. We have the real old fashioned strain of Indian that we all knew years ago. Our strain makes a very rapid growing and healthy tree that bears red, juicy, very firm peaches with red streaks running through the seed. Fine for pickling or preserves. A home or market variety. Ripens early August.

PREPAID PRICES ON PEACH TREES

Height of Top	Each	10	100
2-3 Feet	\$.60	\$ 6.00	\$40.00
3-4 Feet	.80	7.00	60.00
4-5 Feet	1.10	10.00	80.00

PLUMS

Plums succeed over a wide variety of soils and climatic conditions. Our list includes the best of the new as well as the favorite old time varieties.

EARLY PLUMS

Six Weeks. Very large, bright red, excellent flavor. Vigorous tree. Regular bearer. Ripens May 15th.

Bruce. Of Texas origin, Bruce is destined to become one of the most popular of all plums. Tree is a vigorous grower and enormous bearer. Fruit is extra large, of fine red color. Fine for home or market. Ripens late May.

Methley. A large firm, purple plum, mottled with green; flesh is very dark red to seed. Probably sweetest plum grown. Blooms a little early, but of such high quality that it makes up for occasional loss of crops. Excellent for home or market. Ripens early June.

Burbank. Trees are enormous bearers. A firm, meaty plum of mottled purplish red and green skin. Particularly good for preserving. Bears young. Ripens latter part of June.

America. One of the largest yellow plums with red cheeks. Excellent for jelly. Ships well and bears regularly. Ripens early July.

Gold. One of the healthiest of all plum trees. Bears enormous crops of large, firm, yellow plums of high pectin content. Ripens over a long period from about July 10th to July 25th. For market and home use.

Santa Rosa. A very large, very firm, dark red plum of very fine quality. Very good for canning or preserves. Ripens early July.

CHERRY PLUMS

Sapa. The best of the cherry plums. Excellent for eating fresh, for pies, jellies or jams. Fruit of medium size, flesh dark red, pit very small. Although the tree is dwarfish, it produces enormously.

APRICOT

Under our conditions no apricot bears as regularly as peaches and plums, but the delicious, yellow fruit has no equal. Apricot trees are hardy, rapid growers, that make excellent shade trees in a few years. We recommend planting at least two varieties for cross-pollenization.

Early Golden. Ripens last week of May. Almost as large as Moorpark. Pale orange in color, juicy, sweet and good.

Moorpark. The largest perfect freestone apricot. Delicious—yellow with crimson cheek. Ripens early June.

PREPAID PRICES ON PLUMS, CHERRY PLUMS AND APRICOTS

Height of Top	Each	10	100
2-3 Feet	\$.65	\$ 6.00	\$ 50.00
3-4 Feet	.90	8.00	70.00
4-5 Feet	1.20	11.00	100.00

Over 16,000 Bearing Trees in Our Orchards

GRAPES

Carman. Probably the most popular and best variety for North Texas. Vines are vigorous growing and free of disease. Large, compact bunches of fine flavored black grapes. Late July.

Concord. Black grape that is well known everywhere. Fine for juice. Late July.

Fredonia. A new black grape that is proving very good for the southwest. The fruit is large, black and a very good flavor. Early July.

PREPAID PRICES ON GRAPES

No. 1 Vines\$0.50 each or \$4.80 per dozen

FIGS

Harrison or Texas Everbearing Fig. You will do well to plant this fig even though it is not a practical commercial fruit in your locality. Even though the bushes may freeze to the ground, they will come out and bear a crop of figs. We have tried a number of different varieties of figs, and find the Texas Everbearing has proven superior to any we have tried. We now have twelve acres of these figs in production in our commercial orchards here at Grand Prairie.

PREPAID PRICES ON FIGS

1-2 Feet\$0.50 each \$4.80 per dozen
2-3 Feet60 each 6.00 per dozen

BERRIES

Parker Thornless. A new type of Youngberry originating as a bud sport in Tarrant County, Texas. Equally as good in every respect as the thorny Youngberry. Fruit is large and bears second year set out. Deliciously sweet, ripening in late May. Berries are several times as large as dew or blackberries.

Boysenberry. Originated in California as a Youngberry Raspberry hybrid. Similar to Youngberry but even larger—up to two inches long—more firm than Youngberry but slightly more acid. Ripens about ten days after Youngberry. Thus extending the season.

PREPAID PRICES ON YOUNG AND BOYSENBERRY

\$1.75 per dozen or \$12.00 per hundred

Texas Wonder or Dew-Blackberry. As the name signifies this is a cross between a Dew and Blackberry. After the first season's growth the berries load heavily on upright canes. A very sweet and extremely productive variety.

12 for \$1.00 or \$6.00 per 100

PECANS

Our supply of pecan trees this year is very limited, but if you will write us we will be glad to list sizes, varieties and prices that we have in stock.

PEARS

Kieffer. Very popular and widely grown. Blight resistant. Fruit large, flesh brittle and juicy. Fine for preserving. Ripens in August.

Garber. Good quality fruit. Fine for canning. Tree fast growers. August.

Douglas. A new variety that we recommend highly. Blight resistant. The heaviest and most regular bearer of all. Starts bearing when trees are two to three years old. Good quality for all purposes.

PREPAID PRICES ON PEARS

2-3 Feet\$1.00 each or \$10.80 per dozen
3-4 Feet 1.50 each or 15.00 per dozen
4-5 Feet 2.00 each or 18.00 per dozen

We Sell Only One Quality—The Best

FLOWERING SHRUBS AND TREES

For a Home Beautiful

Forsythia (Golden Bell). A beautiful flowering shrub growing to six feet in height and if not pruned is of arching nature. In early spring is covered with a profusion of yellow bell shaped flowers that come before the appearance of any leaves. When planted several in a clump makes a gorgeous display.

2 to 3 Feet High \$0.60 each 3 for \$1.60

Crepe Myrtle. Red, Purple and Pink. One of our favorite shrubs for the south. No home garden is complete without this beautiful flowering shrub.

18-24 inches \$0.60 each 3 for \$1.60

Cydonia Japonica. Also called flowering quince. A most gorgeous early flowering shrub. It blooms in late winter and early spring and loads with a mass of flaming red blossoms. Good for specimen or in hedges.

18-24 inches \$0.60 each 3 for \$1.60

Spirea Van Houttei (Bridal Wreath). An old time favorite with its arching sprays of white blossoms that give it the appearance of a snow bank.

18-24 inches \$0.60 each 3 for \$1.60

Lilac (Persian). Purple blooms borne in great profusion. A better bloomer than common lilac.

2 to 3 Feet\$0.75 each

Red Bud. A flowering tree of dwarf habits. Tree will be entirely covered with a mass of small pink flowers. Leaves are larger and glossy, green and lustrous.

2 to 3 Feet \$0.40 each 3 for \$1.00

Silver Leaf Maple. A fine fast growing shade tree.

4 to 5 Feet\$1.00 each

Chinese Elm. Fine for quick shade. One of the fastest growing trees but susceptible to root rot.

4 to 6 Feet \$1.00 each 10 for \$8.00

